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ERDA FOR J. LIVERMAN, J. WHITNAH

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SUBJECT: RERF COMPUTER

FYI FOLLOWING IS A TRANSLATION OF AN ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED  
IN THE SANKEI OF DEC 19. QUOTE:

1. AT THE CABINET MEETING ON THE 19TH, THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED  
TO CARRY OUT, FROM THE 24TH OF THIS MONTH, LIBERALIZATION OF  
THE COMPUTER PROPER, MEMORY, AND THE CONSOLE UNIT, WHICH HAVE  
BEEN LEFT OUT FROM THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IMPORT LIBERALIZATION  
OF COMPUTERS. IT IS EXCEPTIONAL THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD  
MAKE A CABINET DECISION ON THIS KIND OF LIBERALIZATION.

2. A HUNDRED-PERCENT LIBERALIZATION OF CAPITAL CONNECTED WITH  
COMPUTERS WAS CARRIED OUT FROM DEC 1. WITH THIS (DECISION) ON  
IMPORT LIBERALIZATION, THERE HAS BEEN CONSOLIDATED THE STRUCTURE  
FOR COMPLETE IMPELEMENTATION OF CAPITAL AND IMPORT LIBERALIZATION  
CONNECTED WITH THE COMPUTER PROPER, EXCLUDING SOFTWARE.

3. TOGEZV WITH THE DECISION TO CARRY OUT IMPORT LIBERALIZA-  
TION OF COMPUTERS, THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED A STATEMENT TO THE  
FOLLOWING EFFECT:

"WE WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP WATCH OVER THE MOVES OF THE

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COMPUTER MARKET, SO THAT SERIOUS EFFECTS UPON HOME-

PRODUCTION ENTERPRISES MAY NOT APPEAR AFTER THE LIBERAL-  
IZATION."

4. INCIDENTIALLY, AS A RESULT OF THIS IMPORT LIBERALIZATION  
OF COMPUTERS, THE ITEMS FOR OUR COUNTRY'S REMAINING IMPORT  
RESTRICTIONS HAVE DECREASED BY TWO, TO 27. END QUOTE.  
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